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BOTTLED SMOKE FOR KIPPERS.

Search for a Sawdust Blend.

SECRET OF COLOUR.

Science is about to give another boon to mankind — the perfect kipper.

Elaborate experiments on its elusive smell and equally elusive colour have been undertaken by the Forest Products Research Laboratory, at Princes Risborough, under the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, and the goal is now reported to be in sight.

I was shown in bottles the two chief elements of the perfect kipper. Quality, I was told, is largely determined by the composition of the smoke used in the process of curing. There is already a plant in Aberdeen which can be used to provide an accurate control of the smoke by varying the types of wood burnt and the amount of air admitted during combustion.

What has hitherto been lacking and what research workers are endeavouring to supply is an exact knowledge of the requisite substances. One of them, it is now revealed, is a pale yellow oil condensed from many hundreds of cubic feet of a particularly luscious smoke.

This oil, I was told, is responsible for the proper fragrance of the well-cured kipper. But since kippers are bought at least as much by their colour as by their taste, a knowledge of the colouring constituents of the smoke is of equal importance.

Concentrated Colour.

Enough colour for many thousands of kippers was shown me in a small glass tube, obtained from the same smoke. All that was necessary was to pass the smoke through a series of cooling tubes, where its different elements were condensed to either solid or liquid. By this means variety of smokes were analysed, and from their effect in producing the particular qualities for which the skilled buyer searches, the necessary constituents of the ideal kipper smoke could be accurately determined. When the ideal blend of sawdust to produce these constituents has been investigated, the problem of the perfect kipper will have been solved.

Kippers, however, are but a sideline at Princes Risborough. The main purpose of the station is the study of the ways and means by which the more economical use and more effective preservation of timber can be secured. Samples of timber are bent beneath many tons weight, twisted, pulled, and beaten with falling weights.

A knowledge of all these properties and of the appropriate methods of seasoning is essential before a new Empire timber can be safely introduced to the home market. Many a promising wood, I was told, had been ruined by premature consignments before the home market had been adequately explored.

Wood Preservation.

Experiments which will last for 40 years are being undertaken on the preservation of wood by an oily substance obtained from the new process of low temperature coal carbonisation. This oil has two qualities very valuable for the purpose. It contains tarry substances which are an effective, immediate antiseptic, and a quantity of paraffin wax, which it is hoped will retain this antiseptic within the wood over a long period of years.

Inside a formidable boiler beams of timber are impregnated with this oil at high pressure. The beams are then removed to the testing laboratory to make certain that their mechanical strength has not been impaired. Finally, they are planted out in the station's "graveyard," a plot of ground studded with many hundreds of wooden posts.

Here there is every inducement to rot from both earth and weather, and only after a prolonged trial under practical conditions will the new preservative be passed as 100 per cent. effective.

SPIRITUALIST AND HIS WIFE.

Unusual Stipulations in Will.

RISKS OF MARRIAGE.

Unusual stipulations were made in the will of Dr. Vaughan Daniel William Bowen Jones, of Glyncrafan, Llanbody, Carmarthenshire, who died on June 3, leaving £6,968, with net personalty £676.

He proclaimed himself "a believer in one God, a monotheist and a convinced and absolute believer in the proved facts of Spiritualism, and a non-believer after many years of very careful study of the Christian beliefs."

He directed that his earth body should be buried in the same grave in Castellhydron Churchyard where the earth body of his child, Clara, rests, and that there should be no Church of England service, but that two Nonconformist ministers, "the only true ministers of God," should address his friends on his transference to spirit life.

The will stated that the testator's wife should lose all interest in it if she declined to obey the instructions and suggestions "for procedure on life's pathway" contained therein, and in the same clause admitted her to be "a most exemplary character every way as regards sobriety, all moral virtues, and non-extravagance."

Dr. Jones then made the following stipulations concerning his children's inheritances:

Should either of my children, that is Douglas and Caroline, when they have reached marriageable years, intend marrying, they should be warned in writing that if they make up to, or marry, or both, any loose, drunken, lecherous, or disreputable character against, or in defiance of, the advice of their mother, they shall lose all interest and benefit under their respective shares of my property.

My reason for this is to try and check and defend both children from the designs of any of the lecherous blackguardism all young men and women come in contact with as a very general rule on life's chequered highway if suspected to be possessed of a little money.

He left his property on trust for his wife during widowhood, with remainder on trust for his two children.

PLOVERS' EGGS.

SOLD IN SPITE OF THE LAW.

Where do the plovers' eggs, sometimes seen in shops, come from, now that their sale is prohibited by the Protection of Lapwings Act?

The question is raised by the report of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, which recalls the fact that, when some plovers' eggs were recently sent to the King he returned them, pointing out that the taking of plovers' eggs is now legally forbidden.

"The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds sponsored the Act," said an official to an Evening News correspondent, "largely at the insistence of farmers, to whom the lapwing (or plover) is the best friend in all seasons.

Loopholes.

"The plover lives on worms, snails, caterpillars, and slugs, but plovers' eggs were reckoned such a delicacy that fields were ransacked for them, and the plover was prevented from rearing chicks.

"There are still, unfortunately, some loopholes in the Act."

"The Act says that plovers' eggs must not be taken and exposed for sale for human consumption between March 1 and August 31."

"This, for all practical purposes, is the time in which plovers lay their eggs."

"Plovers may lay them earlier, say, in the last days of February, or later, after August 31. But anyone who exposes plovers' eggs for sale is selling near the wind."

"It may be said that the plovers' eggs come from abroad, but people who eat them say that these foreign plovers' eggs taste remarkably like those gathered in Britain."

Men and Hens.

"In fact, in spite of the Act, many people in the country are still unaware that the taking of plovers' eggs is illegal."

"Plovers' nests, which are always

DARING ARMED ROBBERY.

Student Relieved of \$1,000.

EARLY MORNING HOLD-UP.

Another daring armed robbery was perpetrated this morning when four men, armed with knives and a dagger, entered premises at 230, Third Street, second floor, in the West Point district. Li Chung-hai, 20 years of age, described as a student, was the victim of their unwelcome attentions.

One man, who spoke the Shun Tak dialect, was carrying a dagger, and the others had knives. Li was "held up" and relieved of \$950 in Hong Kong bank notes, three white gold wrist watches, and one gold wrist watch.

The affair occurred at 7.30, and after the robbery the men decamped down Third Street in the direction of Queen's Road, West. Two of the men are described as being dressed in black silk clothes, the third in snuff-coloured crepe silk, and the other in native cloth. The first two spoke the Shun Tak dialect, the others speaking Punti.

SUICIDE ATTEMPTS.

SEVERAL CASES DURING THE WEEK-END.

ONE ENDS FATALLY.

The Police reports contain cases of several attempts at suicide, one ending fatally.

Chan Chat, a young Chinese woman living at 92, Wellington Street, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from the effects of opium poisoning, thought to be self-administered. Tenants on the same floor gave the Police information as to the discovery, and the victim was taken away at once, but died within an hour of admission.

Cheung Sung-ying, a widow living at 2, Mui Hing Street, was also taken to Hospital, suffering from what is thought to be mercurial poisoning. Her condition is not considered serious.

Another attempted suicide in the early hours of yesterday morning is reported from 67, Hollywood Road, where a woman took an overdose of opium. Her condition is not serious.

Opium poisoning also necessitated the removal to the Kwong Wah Hospital of a woman living at 243, Laichikok Road, second floor, Shamshuipo.

SOLDIERS MISSING.

Two privates of the South Wales Borderers are reported as missing from their regiment since Saturday.

Sub-Inspector Elston later discovered two military uniforms, including tunics, caps, belts, and braces, lying in the Kowloon Godowns.

The uniforms bore the badges of the regiment, and it is considered that they were the property of the two missing privates.

THEFT FROM EUROPEAN.

Last night a thief entered the verandah of a European house in Amai Villas and decamped with a visitor's coat containing, among other personal property, a silver presentation cigarette case.

The thief occurred after the host and his family and guests had adjourned from the verandah to the dining room, thus proving that the movements of the inmates had been kept under observation by the thief outside.

KNOCKED DOWN BY TRAM.

A Chinese woman living in First Street, who was carrying a bale of paper from a godown to a sampan at West Point yesterday, was accidentally knocked down by a tram, and later died from her injuries in the Government Civil Hospital.

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SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING.

Boxing Eve & Sitting Bull.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

[By "Wombat."] The following are my selections for the sixth extra race meeting at Happy Valley today:

1st Race:—
Sanction.
Paul Pry.
Crown Prince.

2nd Race:—
Christmas Belle.
Mount Elburz.
Cloudy Eve.

3rd Race:—
Gleneagles.
Little Beaver.
Boxing Eve.

4th Race:—
Cyclamen Bay.
Piccalilli.
The Grouse.

5th Race:—
Fritillary.
One-Third.
Morning Star.

6th Race:—
Boxing Eve.
Little Beaver.
Valorous.

7th Race:—
Bay of Bellingham.
Redskins.
Noukhail.

8th Race:—
Sitting Bull.
Gold Key.
Fortune Bay.

9th Race:—
Tunney.
Tay.
The Quail.

10th Race:—
Daylight Eve.
The Tiger.
Peppercorn.

EPSOM COLLEGE HOAX UNVEILED.

Culprit Writes Nearly 100 Apologies.

The former pupil of Epsom College whose April Fool hoax victimised nearly 100 people had a busy time, for his punishment consisted of writing by hand 100 separate letters of apology.

The victim of the hoax received letters inviting them to attend at Epsom College in connection with the meeting of the legatees of the estate of a mythical John Sebastian Harris, "a former master at the school." The letters bore the name of a nonexistent firm of solicitors with the address of a boarding-house in Marylebone and Mme. Tussaud's telephone number.

Boy Confesses.

A week later a former pupil of Epsom College confessed to the headmaster that he had been responsible for the hoax, explaining that he had planned it originally as a purely local affair, and had then extended its scope to divert suspicion from himself. The question of punishment was left in the hands of the headmaster, who decided that the boy should send a letter of apology to each victim.

"The suggestion that the letters should be written by hand was made by the boy himself," an official of Epsom College said. "The original 'hoax' letters were duplicated, but he insisted on making atonement by writing a hundred separate letters."

I have no idea how many he has completed up to the present.

"On the morning that he interviewed the Headmaster the boy rang up one of the victims, a woman who was ill, and apologised to her personally for the inconvenience caused by his joke."

on the ground, are still often raided by men—and by rats. Our watchers often find plovers' eggs bitten by rats, and even plovers themselves killed by rats or some other enemies.

Farmers agree that it pays them well to see that plovers' eggs are not destroyed or taken. No other birds are so useful to them the whole year round."

TRAGIC SUICIDE OF BANKER.

Principal Partner Tries to Commit Suicide.

FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES.

Vienna, Yesterday. Herr Ludwig Schueler, a partner in the private banking firm of Auspitz Lieben, was found shot dead at Wiener to-day.

Stephen Auspitz, the principal partner, was prevented by a passer-by from drowning in the Danube Canal.

The winding up of their Bank was held to be necessary consequent on the recent difficulties of the Credit-Anstalt, which was itself saved by Government intervention.—Reuter.

MINERS' HOURS.

MINISTER AND ERRONEOUS IMPRESSION.

INTERNATIONAL PARLEY.

London, Saturday.

The Secretary for Mines, Mr. E. Shinwell, who leaves on Tuesday to attend the Conference of the International Labour Office at Geneva on miners' hours, said that the impression abroad that failing international agreement there would be no settlement of the present difficult situation in the British coalfields, was entirely erroneous.

The International Convention had nothing to do with the negotiations proceeding in the British coal mining industry, in connection with which there would be a meeting of miners and owners on June 4 to be followed on the 5th by a meeting of both sides with the Government.

While it was important to get the International Convention in order to secure uniformity in working hours throughout Europe, it could not come into operation immediately because the Convention had to be ratified and that might take two or three years.—British Wireless Service.

CAUGHT IN STORM.

FATE OF 23 JAPANESE FISHERMEN.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Twenty-three fishermen are missing and are believed to have been drowned after a vessel carrying 31 persons turned turtle in a storm 45 miles out of Yokohama.

The remaining members of the crew were rescued by a passing vessel.—Reuter.

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A. STOKKINK,
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1931, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1930, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 11th MAY to 29th MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager,
Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1931.

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THIS SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on MONDAY, 25th May, 1931, commencing at 2.30 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 2 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that their and their Ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5 per day for Gentlemen and \$3 per day for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all chits, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain upon application to the Secretary badges (limited to ONE) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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By Order.

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 18th May, 1931.

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Subscription Griffins and Australian Ponies.

By Order of the Stewards,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th May, 1931.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of VOTING MEMBERS will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on WEDNESDAY, 27th May, 1931, at 5.15 p.m.

All members are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Voting Members of the Hong Kong Jockey Club will be held at the Club House on the 27th day of May, 1931, immediately after the half-yearly meeting of the Voting Members when the abridged resolution will be proposed:

That Article 6 of the Articles of Association of the Club be altered by deleting therefrom the words "Ordinary Members may be unlimited in number" and substituting therefor the words "The number of Ordinary Members shall be one thousand two hundred or such greater number as the Voting Members shall from time to time determine."

AND NOTICE IS ALSO HERE-

BY GIVEN that a Further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Voting Members of the Club will be held at the same place on WEDNESDAY, the Seventeenth Day of June, 1931, at a quarter past five o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

By Order of the Board,

PAUL LAUDER,

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Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1931.

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Death of Mrs. Ada Travers Lewis.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S FRIEND.

Mrs. Ada Travers Lewis, the philanthropist, who was a friend of Queen Alexandra, died in London last month aged 91.

When she was an art student in Paris Mrs. Travers Lewis—then Miss Leigh—decided to devote her life to making a smooth path for lonely British and American girls in the French capital.

She announced her intention of taking up this work. Her relatives were absolutely in favour of the project, and the Earl of Shaftesbury wrote advising "our well-beloved and enterprising Ada not to be too venturesome."

In spite of this, 58 years ago, Ada Leigh homes in Paris came into being. They were a complete success. It was always said that their foundation was a subscription of one franc that came from a homeless girl whom Mrs. Lewis befriended.

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"This fund has been of great use in many desperate cases. Severn bigamous wives who have been absolutely without means have come to me for help, and I have been able to do something for them.

Queen Alexandra, then Princess of Wales, met Mrs. Lewis many years ago when she visited the first of the homes in Paris.

When she heard that Mrs. Lewis had married, the Queen said, "Bring him to me at Marlborough House and I will ask him who is to care for our British girls now?"

The Queen was assured by the Archbishop that he did not intend to take his wife away from her life work.

Difficulties Overcome.

All manner of difficulties beset the first of the Ada Leigh homes. Mrs. Lewis was informed that such charity in a rented house was illegal in France, and the British Government advised her to buy the building.

With great courage Mrs. Lewis signed a contract for £10,000 to purchase the building.

Her devotion to her cause was such that she raised the whole sum six weeks before it came due for payment.

More than 50 years ago Mrs. Lewis founded a church at Neuilly-sur-Seine, the foundation stone of which was laid by King Edward and Queen Alexandra, then Prince and Princess of Wales.

World-Wide Travels.

Mrs. Lewis for many years travelled all over the world making appeals for her homes. When 38 she periodically travelled from London to Paris, and just before her 50th birthday she said she was hoping to go to Egypt to see the pyramids.

Among her most prized possessions was a Dorothy bag which had been worked by Queen Victoria and given to her.

There are five homes in Paris now as a result of the efforts of Mrs. Lewis.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Lewis continued her work with renewed vigour.

A Story of King George.

She met most members of the British Royal family, and was well known in Court circles. Her fund of stories was a big one.

She was fond of telling about King George who, as a boy of 12, went with his father and mother to the opening of the Neuilly church.

After the ceremony the Royal party visited one of the homes, but King George would not go inside.

Precious for a reason, he said: "I'm not going in there; that's a place for girls."

And he stayed outside, swinging his legs whilst sitting on a windowsill. He whistled loudly to pass the time.

Mrs. Lewis wrote a book of reminiscences

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KARMALA	9,000	29th Aug.	M'selles & London.
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PERIM	7,700	10th June	Shanghai, Moji & Yokohama.
TAKADA	7,000	18th June	Shanghai, Moji & Yokohama.
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DEPARTURES.

Per P. & O. s.s. Comorin for Singapore, Marseilles, Gibraltar and London, May 23;

Mrs. W. E. Anderson, child and infant, V. J. Anderson, N. D. Anna, Mrs. K. Bain and infant, D. McD. Buchanan, Mrs. H. R. Buckhoff, Brig. and Mrs. E. Bigwood and sons, B. C. J. Buckridge, Mrs. H. M. Boxall, M. G. Brash, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Burton and family, Engr. Lt. Comdr. C. R. P. Bennett, R.N., R. Black, D. H. Bastin, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cairns, Mr. and Mrs. N. Chadderton and child, Mr. and Mrs. H. Campbell, child and infant, Lt. C. Crawshaw, R.N., Wt. Ordinance Officer W. E. Coffwell, R.N., Henry H. Cohen, C. T. A. Carter, W. W. M. Chapman, 2nd Lieut. R. S. Crosswell, F. Depre, M. G. Erskine, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Farnell and infant, D. D. Forbes, H. S. Forster, Prof. L. Forster, Miss L. Gros, Miss Gordon, Miss C. M. Godby, Mrs. R. Hines, Mrs. E. Heap, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hegarty, T. E. Hodge, Mrs. V. A. Haines, C. E. Hands, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Holdman, G. Y. L. Hunter, Lt. R. McC. P. Jonas, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kirby and child, K. de Longmore, Eng. Room Artif. T. Lewis, C. J. Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Mackenzie, K. J. Marshall, ERA. T. R. Matthews, Mrs. J. McAlester, J. McDonald, T. McInnes, G. Miles, D. W. Morley, E.R.A. J. C. Nimmitt, Mrs. C. H. Page, G. F. Ferret, Prof. M. E. Phelps, R. D. Paton, D. W. Pollock, J. F. G. Richards, D. R. Robertson, Paynter, Comdr. W. D. Stewart, R.N., Miss E. L. Stewart, Mrs. Stranack, Sir Victor Sassoon, W. R. Stobie, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Sansom, F. Starr, G. W. Sellars, L/Sergt. F. W. Sherry, Mrs. G. B. Shields, Miss M. H. Shields, Miss P. Shields, Mrs. W. G. Stevenson, H. L. P. Stubbs, Miss L. Tottenham, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. M., and child, Miss Kelly, Mrs. A. M. Turner and child, Mrs. P. D. Twinem, J. Tabbush, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Tuson and sons, Miss E. M. Beer, Capt. and Mrs. J. D. Whyte and infant, E. B. Wilson, Mrs. E. E. Williamson and infant, G. W. Wallis, Mrs. H. G. Williams, D. C. Walsley, T. H. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Westcott, son and infant, Mrs. M. K. Wood, Miss M. P. Wood.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS

The s.s. Ginge sailed from Singapore on Saturday afternoon and is due here in the morning of May 27.

The Carignano sailed from Singapore for Saigon on May 23, and is expected here on June 1.

The s.s. Venezia-L sailed from Massawah on May 24, and is expected here on June 29.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Asia arrived at Nagasaki on May 23 (Sat.) at 6 a.m., left Nagasaki same day at 1 p.m., and was due at Shanghai on May 24 (Sun.) at 5 p.m. She leaves Shanghai for Hong Kong on May 25 (Mon.) at 2 p.m.

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EMPIRE DAY.

There is springing up in the Colony a generation the majority of whom are neglected in regard to Empire Day and its meaning to all British subjects. In the course of another decade it may be that the observance of Empire Day here will be quite unknown. Yesterday all that reminded the young people of Empire Day was a Girl Guides' parade at General Headquarters' House. His Excellency the General Commanding is to be commended for the spirit of his address. He had splendid material on which to work, for there is no public body of young people more impressionable than the Girl Guides—the mothers of the next one or two generations. Without minimising that parade in any way whatsoever, it is perhaps a pity that arrangements could not have been made for mammoth parade of all the British children in the Colony at, say, the Racecourse, with very brief addresses by leaders of the various young people's Societies.

It has been suggested that as there can be no Colonial development on the lines of far-reaching projects elsewhere under the Union Jack, any celebration of Empire Day is merely a pretence and a make-believe—that our British community is nothing more or less than a community of Little Englanders, unable to see beyond their own native village. That, of course, does not tally with the oft-repeated assertion that ours is a floating population; that few come here with the intention of settling down for life and being laid to rest in the

fullness of years at Happy Valley. Here we have no local politics because we are here to-day and gone to-morrow, with no permanent stake in the Colony. Whilst here we are self-centred, caring not one jot or tittle for Imperial progress and development.

Viewing Empire Day from this latter angle there ought to be much good reason for the annual observance on a much wider scale than obtains at present. British children as a rule stay here very few years. Whilst they are here it is a duty to instill into their minds all that is best and all that is noblest in Empire history and Empire traditions, and thus give them a chance to hold their own wherever they may go when they do leave this Colony either for the Homeland or some other portion of the Empire. They should be nurtured in the atmosphere of true Imperialism. They should be made to feel proud of being Britons. No opportunity should be neglected to make them appreciate the glorious heritage that has been handed down to them. Thus, we consider, Empire Day should indeed be for them a red-letter day in the calendar in this Colony.

News in Brief.

Mr. D. C. Watkinson, of the Tai-koo Dock, left for Home on holiday on Saturday.

The lowest open-air temperature yesterday was 83 degrees. The humidity was 78 at 10 a.m. and 77 at 4 p.m.

Mr. George Duncan, M.B.E., of the Kowloon Dock and a Lieutenant in the Volunteer Corps, left for Home on holiday on Saturday by the P. & O. s.s. Camorin, accompanied by Mrs. Duncan.

A Chinese farmer named Li Hong who was drawing water from the nullah in Waterloo Road, Kowloon yesterday, accidentally fell in when he lost his footing, and suffered injuries to his right leg. He was removed to Kowloon Hospital. His condition is considered serious.

Owing to an oversight a dozen copies of the Hong Kong Naturalist, Vol. 2, No. 2, lacking in one, two, or three of the coloured plates, were circulated on Saturday. Subscribers who received incomplete numbers may obtain complete ones in exchange either at the University, or at the publishers.

Mr. F. H. Holdman, of the Parcels Department of the General Post Office, left for Home on Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Holdman, who has just recovered from a serious illness. Mr. Holdman has been a staunch supporter of the cricket and lawn bowls sections of the Civil Service Cricket Club, all the members of whom will wish him a pleasant holiday and a safe return to the Colony.

EMPIRE DAY.

MUSTER OF THE GIRL GUIDES.

GENERAL'S ADDRESS.

Empire Day was celebrated at Headquarters House yesterday afternoon, when the G.O.C. (His Excellency Major-General J. W. Sandiford, C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.) entertained the Girl Guides of Hong Kong, who were under the command of Mrs. W. T. Southorn (Commissioner).

After the G.O.C. had inspected the parade, an adjournment was made to the hall, where His Excellency addressed the gathering. He said, in part:

"Mrs. Southorn: I am sure that you realize what a very great pleasure it is for me to be able to entertain the Hong Kong Girl Guides at tea on Empire Day, more especially as it falls upon me to do so in one of the most distant Colonies in the British Empire."

The chief point of celebrating Empire Day is to provide a means for making the inhabitants of the British Empire, more especially young people and children, realize that we are all part of one big family, rather than a collection of separate countries and colonies.

May 24 is a peculiarly appropriate date for its celebration as it was the birthday of Queen Victoria, who, as you all know, reigned for no fewer than 67 years.

As far as the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides are concerned, it is not an exaggeration to state that the movement is one of the most remarkable developments in modern times. It is a movement which knows of no distinction of creed, religion, or race. It exists for one purpose and for one purpose only, which is to turn out boys and girls as good and useful citizens.

The Boy Scout and Girl Guide movement is a wonderful means of bringing all classes together and affording them an opportunity of getting to know each other, no matter in what grade of society they may have been brought up.

It is in this spirit that we are assembled here to-day. It is not of the slightest consequence to any of us, whether a Girl Guide is the daughter of a leading Tainan or Comprador in Hong Kong, or the daughter of a subordinate in a business firm; nor is it of any consequence whether her father is an officer or a private soldier.

The following Companies assembled under their Captains and Lieutenants:—1st, Hong Kong, Captain Miss Steele; 2nd, Hong Kong, Captain Miss Pau; 3rd, Hong Kong, Captain Miss Lopez; 4th, Hong Kong, Captain Miss Medina and Lieut. Miss Perry; 5th, Hong Kong, Captain Miss Swift and Lieut. Miss Tse; 1st, Kowloon, Captain Mrs. Lawson and Lieut. Miss Taylor; 2nd, Kowloon, Captain Miss Churn and Lieut. Mrs. Rose; 3rd, Kowloon, Lieut. Miss Stockdale; The Rangers, Captain Miss Moses also Mrs. Reinshagen, Miss Choa, Miss Lack, Mrs. Bruce Shephard, Miss Cousins and Miss Howard Smith, of the Brown and Tawny Owls.

BIG CELEBRATION IN LONDON.

LORD MEATH'S MEMORY.

Rugby, Saturday.

In spite of indications of weather forecasts that it will be a rainy week-end Empire Day, which falls on Whit-Sunday this year, will include a big demonstration this afternoon in Hyde Park, in which the massed bands of the Brigade of Guards and of special choir will lead community singing, including Sir Edward Elgar's "Land of Hope and Glory" which the composer will himself conduct.

The movement will be headed by the Duke of Connaught, and has been set on foot to erect a memorial window in St. Paul's Cathedral, and a Memorial in Hyde Park as a tribute to the founder of Empire Day, Lord Meath.—British Wireless Service.

SACCHARINE EXPLOSION.

Berlin, April 28. Ten were killed and scores injured in an explosion in a saccharine factory at Magdeburg. The factory was completely gutted by the subsequent conflagration, causing heavy material damage. This factory was the first of its kind, having been established by the chemist Fahlberg, who discovered saccharine.

Mr. D. W. Morley, M.A., lecturer in Mechanical Engineering, University, left for Home on Saturday by the P. & O. s.s. Comorin.

A SHELL-SHOCKED MAN.

Nightly Threats to Wife's Life.

STORY OF DEVOTION.

The story of a wife's devotion to a shell-shocked husband who night after night, it was stated, threatened to take her life was related at an inquest on William Henry Willcox, a farmer, of Elmwood Farm, Whitbourne, near Worcester.

The widow, Mrs. Ellen Jane Willcox, said her husband served in the Royal Garrison Artillery and was pensioned because of shell-shock. He had prayed night and day for death for ten years, she said and had suffered from brainstorms. Night after night he had threatened to take her life.

While she was upstairs, Mrs. Willcox continued, she heard a thud, followed by a peculiar noise.

She called out, "Are you right, Will?" and got no reply. She found her husband lying unconscious on a settle. There was a gun near him.

Dr. Roger Clark, of Knightwick, said Willcox's wife was

perfectly sound. They were a devoted couple and the wife made every possible sacrifice in looking after him, which undermined her health.

He recorded a verdict that Willcox shot himself while of unsound mind.

ACROSS AMERICA.

PASSENGER AIR-MAIL SERVICE.

HOW TO SAVE TIME.

By the courtesy of the American Mail Line, the *China Mail* is enabled to announce that a thirty-two hour tri-motored passenger transport plane service between Seattle and New York and a twenty-eight hour service from San Francisco to New York has been inaugurated by Boeing System and National Air Transport.

Planes leaving Seattle in the morning or San Francisco at noon reach Chicago at noon and New York in the evening of the following day. West-bound passengers leaving New York in the morning and Chicago in the afternoon reach San Francisco and Seattle the following afternoon.

This new service materially reduces the time required for a trip from New York and other eastern cities to the Orient, through connections being made with the American Mail liners at Seattle and San Francisco. It is the only through passenger airplane service between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

The fare from Seattle to Chicago is \$184, and to New York \$243.50. From San Francisco the fare is \$168 to Chicago, and \$227.50 to New York.

NEGLECT OF ENGLISH.

Sir Philip Hartog on School Examinations.

At a meeting of the Parents' Association at the Royal United Service Institution Sir Kenneth Rodd was in the chair and Sir Philip Hartog gave an address on the neglect of English in British schools.

Sir Philip Hartog said that it was 25 years since he had begun pointing out that the average British boy could not express himself in English. Things had improved, but still not only university teachers but military authorities and business men were complaining of the failure of the schools to teach boys to write English clearly and adequately.

The failure of the schools was apparent in other ways. Where English was taught, Sir Philip Hartog said, the tradition was largely one of imitation, not of creation. To write for ourselves was a "record;" to write for others was a "message;" in many schools there was great confusion between the two. The school essay was presumably written for the world at large, but was really aimless—it had no prescribed object.

One might well try to coach boy in bowling without setting up a wicket. Examinations gave training in expression of a remarkable kind, in that boys were set down to tell the examiner what he knew already. Could there be anything more topsy-turvy in the art of exposition? He would suggest that every boy from the age of 18 onwards should be obliged to devote at least four hours every 10 days or fortnight to the writing of an English composition, of which the exact purpose should be defined beforehand.

NAVAL DOCKYARD.

SERIES OF INTERESTING PRESENTATION.

MORE "GOOD-BYES."

Messrs. C. E. Westcott, draughtsman, Royal Naval Dockyard, and Mr. J. F. G. Richards, clerk, left on Saturday by the P. & O. steamer *Comorin* for the Devonport and Portsmouth yards, respectively. Mr. Westcott is accompanied by his wife and two children.

On the eve of their departure an interesting ceremony was enacted in the Dockyard Recreation Club, Mr. W. Bickford being in the chair.

"YOGIS, BABUS AND PUNDITS."

Plain Words to
Dr. Tagore.
AMERICAN HITS BACK.

The visit to the United States of Dr. Rabindranath Tagore was the occasion of an extremely forceful article in the Chicago Evening Tribune stating that it was "time somebody called the bluff of the yogis, babus and pundits from highly civilised India, the slick independence propagandists from the Philippines, the oily-tongued fakirs from half a dozen other tropical climes who are beginning to be a national pest."

The article states:—

"Rabindranath Tagore, Hindu poet and philosopher, was the guest of honour at a dinner in New York the other night. The function was attended by 250 supposed sane Americans, who paid \$25 apiece to look at and listen to him."

The eminent Oriental was good enough to say in his speech that "things in America met with his approval. Then, as is the habit of gentlemen of his type, he went on to remark that 'you of the Western world have exploited those who are helpless and those who are weak.'

"There was more in that vein, and the sage concluded with the observation that:

"The greater part of this world suffers from your Western civilisation."

"His hearers, 250 of them, applauded the sentiment."

"Putting it Over."

"This sort of thing is an old story, and no body can blame Tagore or other celebrities from across the Pacific because they indulge in it. They have found that they can put it over with impunity—in fact, that a certain number of soft-headed Americans consider it 'so spiritual' that they cheerfully pay real money for the privilege of being

WHY SHE LOVES HER CHILD.

Manganese As the Sole Reason.

STARTLING STATEMENT.

Modern science has discovered that mother love is not instinct. A mother's affection for her offspring is due to the presence in her blood of manganese, and once this is eliminated from her diet maternal love is destroyed.

This startling statement is made by Dr. Elmer V. McCollum, an authority on nutrition, who enjoys a world-wide reputation.

Unknown Vitamin.

He told the American College of Physicians that after experimenting with a colony of male and female rats he had found that "mother rats fed on diet free from manganese showed no maternal solicitude for their young."

He was unable to say just what there is in manganese that causes maternal affection, although it may be due to the presence of an unknown vitamin.

Rats could easily be made to nurse the offspring of strange mothers, yet he found that in some mysterious way they detected the offspring of manganese-free mothers and refused to care for them.

Summing up his conclusions Dr. McCollum, who is professor of chemical hygiene at the John Hopkins University, Baltimore, said some of our most valued social instincts appeared to depend on such trifles as the presence of the minutest particles of certain substances in our food.

A British View.

"I should not say that was at all impossible," was the comment of Sir Leonard Hill, late director of the Department of Applied physiology, at the National Institute of Physical Research, on this report from America.

"We do not yet really know what is the importance of all the trivias of mineral substances which are found in the body."

"Vitamin E plays a very important part in the food. If vitamin E is taken out of the food of rats they cannot reproduce their species."

"Bees produce workers and queens. Only the queens are productive of their species. The workers spend their lives in toil and have no power of reproduction."

"The bees have found out the trick, and we physiologists know it too. I have no doubt that we could produce a race of workers who would be excellent for carrying on the work of the world but who would be sterile. It would be only a question of keeping Vitamin E out of their diet. But who would suggest that it should be done?"

wrings his hands—at \$25 a wring—about oppression.

"Or take our own Philippines. Every year we get a delegation of plausible native politicians to tell us how we exploit their unfortunate people.

"They demand that we get out and give them liberty at once, if not sooner.

"The twelve million Filipinos, from highly civilised India, the slick independence propagandists from the Philippines, the oily-tongued fakirs from half a dozen other tropical climes are beginning to be a national pest."

"They represent rather less than half of one per cent. of the millions of Asiatics that they presume to speak for."

"They swarm up and down the United States like a plague of locusts."

"They retail a lot of eloquent clap-trap about conditions in their own countries, not one-tenth of which is true."

"They work on the sympathies of old people of both sexes."

"Then they go back home with their pockets full of American cash, and their heads full of well-founded contempt for the gullibility of the American people."

"Colossal Nerve."

"Tagore, for example, has colossal nerve to tell us what a terrible thing Western civilisation is for the oppressed races of the East."

"His own India is kept from going to complete smash only by the power and the justice of Britain, as he knows."

"His own people are fed in times of famine by the hated British."

"His millions of Bengali brethren are saved from destruction at the hands of fighting Mohammedans, solely by these same British."

"His entire land is preserved from tyranny or anarchy only because Britain has the strength of character and the strength of empire to preserve it."

"Then he comes here and

BRITAIN'S BABY WEEK.

No Fixed Laws Even as to Diet.

COD-LIVER OIL.

"I have seen more children killed by it than I have seen cured by it," said Dr. Dunstan Brewer, Medical Officer of Swindon, on the values of cod-liver oil at the annual general meeting of the National Baby Week Council at the headquarters, 117, Piccadilly.

"The reason," Dr. Brewer explained, "is the interference that cod-liver oil makes with some children's power of digestion. The system of some children turns it into poison, and they die. Again, for 95 per cent. of children, milk is the finest possible food, but in the case of the other five milk completely cripples them. The fact is, there are no printed rules. Even with simple diet you can lay down no laws, and all methods must be subject to trial." (Cheers.)

Sir Gomer Berry, chairman of the Council, who presided, said National Baby Week had been chosen each year as the period for the annual conference on maternity and child welfare organised by the Association for the Prevention of Infant Mortality. Hitherto it had been held in London, but for once the conference had been arranged for Cardiff, in order to enable more provincial representatives to attend, and it was hoped that the average attendance of 800 would be maintained.

"Public opinion," Sir Gomer went on, "is gradually proceeding in the direction of a National Maternity Service scheme. In the meantime the National Baby Week Council is proceeding with its propaganda, so that thereby an enlightened public opinion may ultimately evolve—an opinion which should be in support of any ameliorative measures the Government may introduce."

The chairman before making the various presentations explained that for a second time the "Lady Astor" Challenge Shield had been won outright, and now Viscount Astor had given a third one for the future—this time in the form of a perpetual challenge shield.

The present went to Kettering, the "William Hardy" Challenge Shield to Longmoor (Hants), the "Gwen Geffen" rose bowl to Crawley Down (Sussex), and the "Save the Babies" Plaque to Northampton.

Three Needs.

Dr. Eric Pritchard, medical director of the Infants' Hospital, Vincent-square, chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the Council's annual report, which said that after fourteen years' work the demands on the Council's office had grown to a yearly total of over 40,000 communications. The Council had concentrated on three needs.

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SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels. Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre; "Feet First."

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Min and Bill."

To-day—Central Theatre; "Marriage Playground."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "All Quiet on the Western Front."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Desert Song."

Home Mails.

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Sphinx); Outward for Europe via Siberia (Calchas), 2 p.m.; for Europe via Marseilles (Sphinx), 2.30 p.m.

Sports. See Sports Diary on Page 12.

Miscellaneous.

To-day—Whist drive at St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.45 p.m.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

WALLACE BEERY AND MARIE DRESSLER.

"MIN AND BILL"

A new note in humour is struck in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's successful talkie production "Min and Bill," which opened its run at the Queen's Theatre, on Saturday.

Marie Dressler and Wallace Beery are the leading players. The former scored a noteworthy success in "Anna Christie" and her appearance with Polly Moran in "Laugh Shout!" will long be remembered.

Wallace Beery was responsible for the fun in "River of Romance," and he has appeared in many outstanding film productions.

"Min and Bill" is a welcome variation, for the picture contains no ballroom scenes or "Slob Stuff," but, instead, brings one into the atmosphere of the fisheries, which trade is well depicted in many scenes.

In Marie Dressler, as Min, one can find no fault, for her acting is wonderful. In the role of Bill, Wallace Beery is splendid. Marjorie Rambeau does some fine acting as the derelict, whilst Dorothy Jordan and Donald Douglas supply the romantic interludes. Russell Hopton has a "heavy" role.

The programme is completed with a Hearn newsreel an amusing "Our Gang" comedy and an all-barkin' comedy, which is excellent. The newsreel depicts a ladies' Spring fashion show at Ontario, whilst H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and H. R. H. Prince George are seen at a military display at San Martin, in South America.

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ALL QUIET ON THE WESTERN FRONT

CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

JACK HOBBS SPEAKS OF RETIREMENT.

Tremendous Strain Tells Its Tale.

END OF THIS SEASON.

London, Saturday. Jack Hobbs, the famous Surrey and All-England batsman, has decided to conclude his active association with County Cricket at the end of the 1931 season.

His contract with Surrey, however, does not expire until the end of the 1932 season, but he has asked the Club to allow him to retire one year before his contract expires.

L. Hobbs, the son of the great English batsman, told Reuter that his father, who was 48 years of age, would not give up cricket entirely but that he was at the moment finding the strain of constant matches altogether too much for him. He, however, intends to turn out occasionally for Surrey during the next season.—Reuter.

GOLF MATCH AT THE VALLEY.

Happy Valley Players' Big Foursome Win.

KOWLOON DEFEATED.

The Happy Valley section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club entertained a team of players from the Kowloon Golf Club yesterday and ran out victors by 23 points to 12½, although the visitors were leading by 9½ points to eight after the morning round.

The Kowloon players won only one foursome and halved another in the afternoon, securing three points to their opponents' fifteen.

The full results are as follows:

Singles.

Happy Valley	Kowloon G.C.
F. J. de Rome	0
J. W. Franks	1½
C. R. Robertson	0
(3 and 2)	2
T. S. Whyte	0
Smith	0
A. O. Brown	0
P. P. J. Wodehouse	1
(4 and 3)	1
P. Morrison	0
A. E. Charman	1
S. Stacey	0
H. Mundy	1
(4 and 2)	1
A. E. Clarke	0
(3 and 2)	1
L. E. Longbottom	0
R. S. W. Paterson	0
H. Hampton	0
J. H. B. Lee	1
W. McLeod	0
H. T. Brooks	0
	8
	9½

Foursomes.

Happy Valley, de Rome and Frank	Kowloon G.C., Thomson and Wilson
(and 3)	0
Wodehouse and Brown	Groves and Poole
(5 and 4)	0
Whyte Smith and Robertson	Braley and Roza (2 & 1)
Charman and Morrison	Buxton and Hyde
(4 and 3)	0
Mundy and Stacey	Price and Laughton
(3 and 2)	0
Hampton and Clarke	King and Fincher
(2 and 1)	0
Paterson and Longbottom	Gallately and Hillier
(one up)	0
M. Leod and Booker	Planner and Dand
Lee	Sewell and Sinton
(2 & 1)	0
Morning Score	16
Grand Total	8
	3½
	12½

SUMMER CUP AT KOWLOON.

First Round Results.

In the first round of the Summer Cup played over the Kowloon course recently the following matches have been decided:—

J. M. Purvis beat D. C. Wilson.

P. W. J. Planner beat A. A. Dand.

W. S. Hillier beat H. T. Buxton.

A. T. Braley beat A. Laughton.

W. S. Trice beat H. Mundy.

UNITED STATES IN THE FINAL.

Canada Eliminated by 3 Matches to 1.

TO MEET ARGENTINE.

Montreal, Saturday. In the Davis Cup semi-final round of the American Inter-Zone, the United States defeated Canada by 3 matches to 1, and now meet Argentina in the final on May 28.

Full results as cabled by Reuter were as follows:—

Sidney Wood (U.S.A.) beat J. Wright (Canada) 8-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Earlier Results.

Shields and Sidney Wood (U.S.A.) defeated J. Wright and Marcel Rainville (Canada) 8-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Shields (U.S.A.) beat J. Wright (Canada) 8-6, 6-2, 6-2.

Marcel Rainville (Canada) beat Sidney Wood (U.S.A.) 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, 2-6, 6-4.

LAWN BOWLS.

C.C.C. AND K.C.C. STILL ON TOP.

C.C.C. DOUBLE.

A full programme of lawn bowls was played on Saturday. The C.C.C. and the K.C.C. remain at the head of Division I, whilst the top position in Division II is held by the K.C.C.

The Club de Recreio failed to hold the C.C.C. at Happy Valley, whilst the Police lost their third successive match, the margin in favour of the K.C.C. being 17 shots.

Tai Kok scored their first win of the season, their victims being the K.R.G.C., whilst an exciting finish at Kowloon Dock saw the Civil Service secure a triumph by three shots.

In Division II, the Civil Service had another exciting win—this time by one shot against the Electric Co.

The K.C.C. defeated the Yacht Club, Club de Recreio proved too good for the C.C.C. and the K.B.C.C. defeated Tai Kok.

League I.

C.C.C. v. RECREIO.

At Happy Valley, the Craignegower C.C. defeated the Club de Recreio by 21 shots.

Scores:—

Craigengower. Recreio.

H. C. Cooper E. L. Dobbie

H. Henderson L. E. Longbottom

J. Puncheon E. L. Holland

F. Cullen A. O. Brown

(Skip) ... 20 (Skip) ... 15

W. Hedley S. Rundle

J. V. Ramsay S. Alderman

H. M. McTavish A. Oswick

R. Lapsley J. Gregory

(Skip) ... 23 (Skip) ... 20

C. Atkinson F. Jones

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(Skip) ... 19 (Skip) ... 30

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HELEN WILLS NOT FOR WIMBLEDON.

Will Betty Nuthall Win the Title for Britain?

BRIGHT PROSPECTS.

San Francisco, Yesterday. Mrs. Helen Wills-Moody has announced that she will be unable to attend the 1931 Wimbledon Championships.

This gives Miss Betty Nuthall, the youthful British player, her chance to win the coveted crown at the world's greatest tournament.—Reuter.

T. Stainton J. Rodger

J. C. Polson G. Sherriff

T. Young H. Nish

N. Drummond W. Russell

(Skip) ... 19 (Skip) ... 25

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KOWLOON DOCK v. C.S.C.C.

In Kowloon the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club were defeated by the Civil Service Cricket Club by three shots.

Scores:—

K.D.R.C. C.S.C.C.

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League II.

RECREIO v. C.C.C.

At King's Park, the Club de Recreio defeated the Craignegower C.C. by two shots.

Scores:—

Recreio. Craignegower.

M. F. Baptista W. McBride

H. Rosario E. Smith

E. M. Remedios F. K. Modi

F. X. M. Silva H. V. Pearce

(Skip) ... 18 (Skip) ... 15

F. Prata F. Finne

J. M. S. Rosario R. Hooper

A. V. Barros Y. Abbas

J. G. Ozorio A. L. de Souza

(Skip) ... 20 (Skip) ... 24

F. Xavier W. White

J. M. M. Alves E. Hamer

J. J. Basto C. Summons

F. V. Ribeiro W. V. Field

(Skip) ... 20 (Skip) ... 17

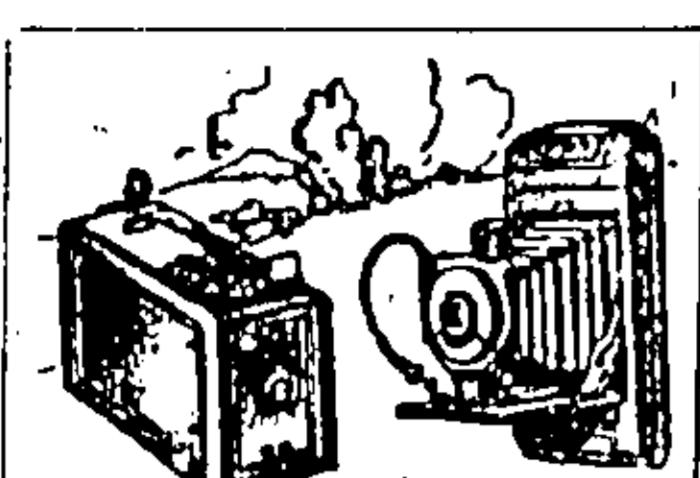
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RACING.

MONGOLIAN STAG PAYS
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MR. A. W. DA ROZA IN FORM.

The racing at the Sixth Extra Meeting on Saturday was truly remarkable. Mr. A. W. da Roza, who has had rather a bad spell recently, came back to form with a vengeance, and after bringing in Tay (now his own pony) to get second place in the Sub-Griffins Summer Handicap, to pay \$56.90, went on to dead heat for second place on Movaganher in the Second Division event, (\$43.20), and to crown all, to win on Mongolian Stag in the very next event to pay over \$300.

RESULTS.

1.—*Sub. Griffins Summer Handicap: First Division: One Mile.—For China Ponies, Griffins of this Season which have started at least twice. Top weight not to exceed 161 lb. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$500. 2nd Prize: \$300. 3rd Prize: \$200.

L. Dunbar's Fortune Bay 161 lb.....(Mr. Heard) 1*

Mrs. Dunbar's Little Beaver 143 lb.....(Mr. Proulx) 1*

L.T.F.'s Gold Key 147 lb.....(Mr. Harriman) 3

Also ran: Fritillary 150 lb (Mr. G. U. da Roza); Holly Leaf 144 lb (Mr. S. Y. Liang); Mindoro 138 lb (Mr. Ip Kui-ying); Nippy 133 lb (Mr. Y. T. Fung); Wonderful Stag 154 lb (Mr. Frost).

* Dead heat; 3 lengths.

Time: 2 mins. 02 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$15.80 and \$31.60; Places, 1st \$25 and \$18; 2nd \$14.40.

2.—*Griffins Summer Handicap: Second Division: One Mile.—For China Ponies, Griffins of this Season which have started at least twice. Top weight not to exceed 161 lb. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$150. 2nd Prize: \$250. 3rd Prize: \$150.

Hall & Shenton's The Plover 150 lb.....(Mr. Frost) 1

M.I.L.L.'s Sanction 161 lb.....(Mr. Heard) 2

L.T.F.'s Paul Pry 158 lb.....(Mr. Harriman) 3

Also ran: Bronze Eyes 150 lb (Dr. S. To Wong); Jadestone 133 lb (Mr. Y. T. Fung); Silver Key 140 lb (Mr. Ip Kui-ying); Thunderous Stag 148 lb (Mr. Proulx); Wise Stag 155 lb (Mr. Soares); Won by many lengths; a length.

Time: 2 mins. 06.1/5 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$25.90; Places, 1st \$6.90; 2nd \$5.90; 3rd \$3.90.

3.—*Sub. Griffins Summer Handicap: First Division: Seven Furlongs.—For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of any Season. Winners of five or more races at any time barred. Top weight not to exceed 161 lb. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$250. 3rd Prize: \$150.

Hall & Shenton's The Quail 160 lb.....(Mr. Frost) 1

A. W. da Roza's Tay 133 lb ..(Mr. A. W. da Roza) 2

T.P.T.'s Tunney 161 lb.....(Mr. G. U. da Roza) 3

Also ran: Fi-Fa 156 lb (Mr. S. Y. Liang); Groombridge 150 lb (Mr. Stanton); Mascon 150 lb (Mr. Soares); Misamis 156 lb (Mr. A. R. Botelho); Pacemaker 150 lb (Mr. Proulx); Redskins 150 lb (Mr. I. M. Stewart); Scrappit 138 lb (Mr. A. R. Botelho); Varmoose 145 lb (Mr. Harriman).

Won by a short head; a length.

Time: 1 min. 58 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$38.70;

Places, 1st \$10.40; 2nd \$5.60; 3rd \$7.10.

4.—Fourth New Aggregate Stakes: One Mile and a Quarter.—Value \$750. For all China Ponies.

Chan Tin-son's Apollo 149 lb.....(Mr. Frost) 1

Tester & Abraham's The Tiger 143 lb ..(Mr. Harriman) 2

W. T. Stanton's Donnabella 148 lb ..(Mr. Stanton) 3

Also ran: Bright Eyes 145 lb (Mr. A. R. Botelho).

Won by many lengths.

Time: 2 mins. 38 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$5.10;

Places: 1st \$1.50; 2nd \$5.10.

5.—*Sub. Griffins Summer Handicap: Second Division: Seven Furlongs.—For China Ponies, Griffins of this Club of any Season. Winners of five or more races at any time barred. Top weight not to exceed 161 lb. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$200; 3rd Prize: \$100.

Dalrem's Bay of Bellingham 148 lb ..(Mr. Soares) 1

Mrs. Dyer's Agate 142 lb ..(Mr. I. M. Stewart) 2*

Artik's Movaganher 133 lb ..(Mr. A. W. da Roza) 2*

Also ran: Arctic Eve 136 lb (Mr. Proulx); Brown Eyes 149 lb (Mr. Harriman); Cream Cracker 161 lb (Mr. Frost); Flornotta 141 lb (Mr. A. A. R. Botelho); Happy Day 161 lb (Mr. G. U. da Roza); Sans Souci 133 lb (Mr. Ip Kui-ying); Silver Flare 133 lb (Mr. Y. T. Fung); The Lombard 162 lb (Mr. H. A. R. Botelho).

* Dead heat.

Won by a length; dead heat.

Time: 1 min. 54.1/5 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$14.90;

Places, 1st \$7.70; 2nd \$2.80; 3rd \$8.40.

6.—June Handicap: Third Division: One Mile and a Quarter.—For China Ponies, "C" & "D" Classes, other than Griffins or Subscription Griffins of this Season, which have started in Hong Kong at least twice since January 1, 1931. Top weight not to exceed 165 lb. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$100.

W. H. Parkin's Mongolian Stag 140 lb (Mr. A. W. da Roza) 1

Yan Man's One Third 165 lb ..(Mr. G. U. da Roza) 2

S. N. Pan's Mount Elburz 147 lb ..(Mr. Proulx) 3

Also ran: Arimony 154 lb (Mr. Charles); Orlando 152 lb (Mr. Frost); Tango 142 lb (Mr. Harriman).

Won by 1/2 length; 4 lengths.

Time: 2 mins. 40.3/5 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$16.70;

Places, 1st \$7.50; 2nd \$1.10; 3rd \$7.

7.—June Handicap: First Division: One Mile and a Quarter.—For China Ponies, Griffins of this Season which have started in Hong Kong at least twice since January 1, 1931. Top weight not to exceed 161 lb. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$150. 2nd Prize: \$100. 3rd Prize: \$50.

Hall & Shenton's The Plover 150 lb ..(Mr. Frost) 1

M.I.L.L.'s Sanction 161 lb ..(Mr. Heard) 2

L.T.F.'s Paul Pry 158 lb ..(Mr. Harriman) 3

Also ran: Bronze Eyes 150 lb (Dr. S. To Wong); Jadestone 133 lb (Mr. Y. T. Fung); Silver Key 140 lb (Mr. Ip Kui-ying); Thunderous Stag 148 lb (Mr. Proulx); Wise Stag 155 lb (Mr. Soares).

Won by many lengths; a length.

Time: 2 mins. 06.1/5 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$25.90;

Places, 1st \$6.90; 2nd \$5.90; 3rd \$3.90.

8.—June Handicap: Second Division: One Mile and a Quarter.—For China Ponies, Griffins of this Season, which have started in Hong Kong at least twice since January 1, 1931. Top weight not to exceed 161 lb. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$600. 2nd Prize: \$300. 3rd Prize: \$200.

Hall & Shenton's The Quail 160 lb ..(Mr. Frost) 1

A. W. da Roza's Tay 133 lb ..(Mr. A. W. da Roza) 2

T.P.T.'s Tunney 161 lb ..(Mr. G. U. da Roza) 3

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Won by a short head; a length.

Time: 1 min. 58 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$38.70;

Places, 1st \$10.40; 2nd \$5.60; 3rd \$7.10.

9.—Victoria Park Handicap: Six Furlongs.—For Australian Ponies. Winner barred. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$500. 2nd Prize: \$300. 3rd Prize: \$150.

Kong Bros's Moon Star 140 lb ..(Mr. Proulx) 1

Kangaroo's Caulfield 134 lb ..(Mr. Y. T. Fung) 2

W. T. Stanton's Fritz 164 lb ..(Mr. Heard) 3

Also ran: Cyrano 147 lb (Mr. Wood); Floretta 140 lb (Mr. Ip Kui-ying).

Won by a short head; a length.

Time: 1 min. 58 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$5.10;

Places: 1st \$1.50; 2nd \$5.10.

10.—Bank Holiday Handicap: One Mile. (Novices).—For China Ponies which have started at least twice in Hong Kong since January 1, 1931, and have not won more than one race in Hong Kong since January 1, 1931. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won five flat races anywhere at any time. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$250. 3rd Prize: \$150.

Also ran: Arctic Eve 136 lb (Mr. Proulx); Brown Eyes 149 lb (Mr. Harriman); Cream Cracker 161 lb (Mr. Frost); Flornotta 141 lb (Mr. A. A. R. Botelho); Happy Day 161 lb (Mr. G. U. da Roza); Sans Souci 133 lb (Mr. Ip Kui-ying); Silver Flare 133 lb (Mr. Y. T. Fung); The Lombard 162 lb (Mr. H. A. R. Botelho).

Won by 3 lengths; a neck.

Time: 1 min. 27 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$20.90;

Places, 1st \$7.70; 2nd \$12.80; 3rd \$8.40.

Kul-ying); Juliett 140 lb (Mr. King); Old Acquaintance 146 lb (Mr. Harriman); St. Moritz 164 lb (Mr. Reidy); The Bustard 140 lb (Mr. S. Y. Liang); Thunderclap 156 lb (Mr. Frost).

Won by 3 lengths; a neck.

Time: 1 min. 27 secs.

Parimutuel: Winner \$20.90;

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Also ran: Arctic Eve 136 lb (Mr. Proulx); Brown Eyes

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MAN RELEASED.

A claim to have captured Jack the Ripper is put forward by a former member of the Metropolitan Police in a remarkable letter to the Daily Express.

The writer is Mr. Robert Clifford Spicer, of Saville Row, Woodford Green, Essex, who was a uniformed constable, aged twenty-two, at the time the Jack the Ripper outrages were terrorising London. His letter is as follows:

“I have read with interest the most extraordinary articles by the late Mr. Robert James Lees on the capture of Jack the Ripper.

“I had the pleasure of capturing him, and taking him to Commercial Street police station, after he had committed two murders.

“On this particular night I had worked my beat backwards, and had come to Henage Street, off Brick Lane. About fifty yards on the right down Henage Street is Henage Court. At the bottom of the court was a brick-built dwthull. The Brown Bag.

“Both Jack and a woman (Rosy) were sitting on this. She had 2s. in her hand, and she followed me when I took Jack on suspicion. He turned out to be a highly respected doctor, and gave a Brixton address. His shirt cuffs still had blood on them. Jack had the proverbial bag with him (a brown one). This was not opened, and he was allowed to go.

“I saw him several times after this at Liverpool Street Station accosting women, and I would remark to him, ‘Hello, Jack! Still after them?’ He would immediately bolt.

“He was always dressed the same—high hat, black suit with silk facings, and a gilt watch and chain. He was about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches and about 12 stone, fair moustache, high forehead, and rosy cheeks.

“There have been several articles and confessions from time to time in the newspapers. Jack is supposed to have admitted he was arrested by a young constable, but was released. I claim to be that constable.”

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Mr. Spicer is now sixty-four years of age. He left the police force five months after the suspect had been

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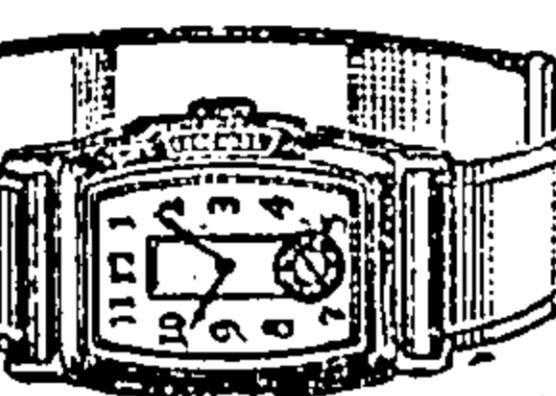
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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will
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5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-10.30 p.m.—European Pro-

gramme of Regal & Columbia Rec-

ords kindly supplied by the An-

derson Music Co.

7-7.37 p.m.—Variety.

Orchestral—

Ever-Green—Selection,

Nippy—Selection,

The Stage Orchestra (MR238).

Accordion Duo—

La Tourterelle (The Dove),

Jean Deveydt and Louis

Logist (DB363).

7-7.37 p.m.—Variety.

Orchestral—

Ever-Green—Selection,

Nippy—Selection,

The Stage Orchestra (MR238).

Accordion Duo—

Hilda (A Romance),

The Deveydt Bros. (DB363).

7-7.37 p.m.—Concert Items.

Instrumental Quartet—

Quartet in A Major (Beethoven),

The Caterpillar Quartet (914).

Vocal Duo—

Rose in the Bud

(Barlow & Forster),

The Rocks (Waterford),

Dame Clara Butt, Contralto

(PB4).

Violin Solo—

Grave (Corti),

Bagatelle in D (Gatty),

Yelli d'Aranyi (DB361).

Octet—

Prelude in C Sharp Minor

(Rachmaninoff arr. Sear),

J. H. Squire Celeste Octet

(9120).

Song—

Weep You No More (R. Quilter),

Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal

(Tennyson & Quilter),

The Hon. W. Brownlow

(DB179).

String Quartet—

Minuet (Schubert),

Lieder String Quartet

(DB290).

10.07-10.25 p.m.—Operatic.

Song—

Romeo & Juliet—Waltz Song

(Gounod),

Gertrude Johnson, Soprano

(9103).

Maritana—Selections (Wallace),

Bert Walton & His Havana

Band (9111).

Song—

Lohengrin—Lohengrin's Narration

(Wagner),

William Haslgrave, Tenor

(9127).

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

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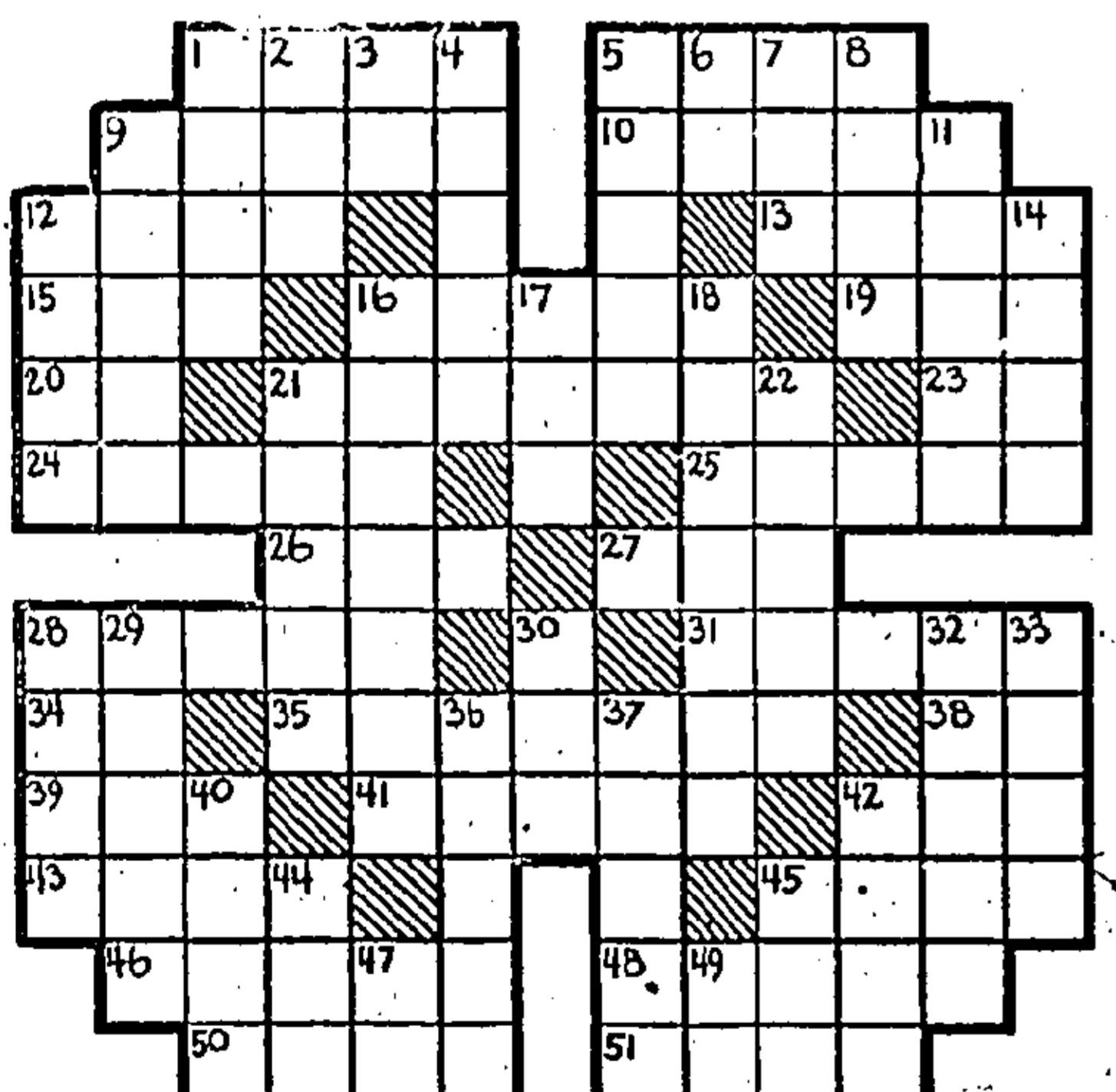
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1-Precedence
5-A couple
9-Stretched tight
10-Hidden
12-Foam
13-Sharp
15-Poisonous serpent
16-Designs
18-Foot (Sect.)
20-Pronous
21-A clerical garment
23-U. S. coin (abbr.)
24-Titles of former rulers of Russia
25-Tumults
26-Point of compass (abbr.)
27-A wager
28-An island of the Indies
31-Witchlike
34-Exist
35-Attracts
38-Arab (abbr.)

VERTICAL
39-To steep, as flax
41-Majestic
42-Corroded
43-John
45-Angeled
46-Pour down
48-Domesticated
50-To make dirty
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HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

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VERTICAL (Cont.)

44-Jump

2-Finish

3-White

4-Distributes

5-Musical instrument

6-Infinite article

7-Willing fluid

8-Blind

9-Mischiefous child

47-A province of Canada (abbr.)

48-A college degree (abbr.)

MUSEUM'S NEW TREASURES.

Pottery of China and Persia.
CHOICE PIECES.

The British Museum has been enriched under the will of Mr. Harvey Hadden, of Claridge's Hotel, Brook Street, formerly of Vancouver, who died in February last at the age of 78 years, with some eighty-three choice specimens of Oriental ceramics. All are Chinese with the exception of about six, which are examples of Persian pottery. The Chinese range through many dynasties from Han to Ch'ing.

Mr. Harvey left £151,325, with net personality £150,289. He left £100,000 in trust for his son Harvey, stating that his wife and daughter are provided for by wholly the use of amulets and settlement, and his collection of pottery to the British Museum.

Mr. Harvey Hadden was a keen collector of ceramics. A number of the specimens included in his gift to the British Museum have

been on loan there for several years, but the collection comprises one of the most generous and valuable gifts made to the Museum for many years.

On a Watch Tower.

The specimens of Ming porcelain form one of the most important acquisitions, an official of the British Museum informed the Sunday Times. There are two or three wonderfully fine examples of the art, including an elegant beaker with two elephant handles. A feature of these specimens is the lovely peacock blue glaze colouring clouded with green. Two smaller vases of the same class have a dark aubergine-violet glaze with bands of turquoise, while a pair of Buddhist lions, on stands, have three-colour glazes of the same character.

Of the Chinese examples, one which stands out pre-eminently is a green-glazed pottery model of a Han watch tower with the guards leaning out of the upper story with their crossbows laid in readiness on the ledge in front of them. This is a singularly fine specimen. Comparable with it are four pieces of T'ang pottery with a mottled glaze.

The Sung contribution includes an admirable specimen of the ivory-white Tingchow porcelain, a Kingtchekien dish copying the Ting ware, a small celadon green bowl of good quality, a Chun ware incense-burner with lavender-grey glaze, and a bottle with black glaze splashed with golden brown.

A Rare Mark.

The museum is particularly fortunate in regard to the specimens representing the Ch'ing dynasty. They are mainly of the monochrome class, which was not too well represented in the museum collection, and the Hadden list increases the permanent number by about thirty pieces. Some of them are of great rarity; for instance, a box with pale emerald green crackled glaze and small vase with pale yellowish-green glaze with wide crackle, and matt surface. This evidently, it was stated, was an example of the copying of the Sung Ko ware.

The white specimens are notable, and include a beautiful figure of the Taoist Immortal Ho Hsien Ku, made in a faintly crackled cream-white glaze, evidently a Ch'ing version of the Sung Ting ware. Several specimens bear the Ch'ing Lung mark, which renders them of rare value. Another noticeable specimen in the group is a lovely white bottle with a slightly undulating glaze decorated with an archaic dragon and coloured with underglaze blue. This is regarded as an exceptional piece, having that undefinable something known as "quality," and the style which appeals so strongly to the Chinese collector.

Sixteen countries have so far accepted the invitation of the Canadian Government to send official representatives to the World's Grain Exhibition and Conference to be held at Regina, July 26 to August 6, 1932. These countries are: Italy, Peru, Yugoslavia, Guatemala, New Zealand, Czechoslovakia, The Netherlands, Belgium, Poland, Siam, India, Portugal, Switzerland, Estonia, The Philippines Islands and Argentina. It is expected that about 60 countries will be represented when the exhibition and conference opens next year.

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.

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CORN	LODGE	NOON
ERA	SCAMPER	DOE
NICE	EVEN	
NAME	LAIR	
NINE	RATE	

WIDESPREAD FAITH IN MAGIC.

Large Numbers Still Influenced.

BABYLONIAN SPELLS.

Astrology, divination, the use of numbers, and the system of medicine which were in use in Mesopotamia in the third millennium before Christ are as much alive and as active in that country as ever, and are held by the natives in far higher esteem than the exact sciences which Europeans have derived from them. And even in England and America at the present time large numbers of people are influenced by beliefs which were common in Babylonia four or five thousand years ago. No

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On a Watch Tower.

We are told that astrology is a pseudo-science, although it has been developed entirely on the lines of experiment and experience and accurate records of facts. This development does not make it an exact science, but it is impossible not to be struck with the general accuracy of the readings of a large number of the characters of men and women which are based upon the readings of horoscopes. There are living among us parents who have had horoscopes made immediately after birth of their children, and who bring up their children according to the directions supplied by the horoscopist.

Similarly there are medical practitioners who have horoscopes of the patients made, and who use the information derived from them as a guide to the treatment which they eventually prescribe for their patients.

The Amethyst Ring.

The results which astrologers obtain sometimes are so remarkable, and their prognostications are often fulfilled to the letter by subsequent events that even the unbeliever is "something in it..."

Amethyst, from the Greek "amethystos," "not drunken," "without drunkenness." This beautiful stone was believed to possess many qualities valuable to man, and was greatly prized as an ornament and as an amulet. Some of the ancients thought it was called "amethyst" because it was the colour of violet wine, and protected men from drunkenness; but Pliny does not believe this, and thinks that the stone and the wine have no connection. He mentions that the magicians declared that if the names of the sun and moon were written upon an amethyst, and that it was tied to the neck with peacock's hairs and the feathers of a swallow, it would protect a man against sorcery.

The man who placed an amethyst under his tongue might drink the contents of a large vessel of wine without becoming intoxicated, and he who drank wine out of a vessel made of amethyst might drink all its contents with immunity. Worn as an amulet it cured a man of gout; placed under the pillow an amethyst gave the sleeper pleasant dreams, and it improved his memory, and made him immune from poison. Some believed that the wearer of the stone became gentle and amiable through its influence and that by it he was preserved from outbreaks of temper and wrath. Its presence in the ring of a bishop was thought to be helpful to the wearer and also to the devotee who kissed it....

The Evil Eye.

Of all the things which have driven man in all ages to invent and to use magic, the most potent is the "Evil Eye," or the "Evil Look".... We may accept the view, which is based on the general experience of mankind, that envy can, and does, impart to the eye some quality which emanates from it and works evil upon the person or thing on which it falls. But there is something else which will produce the same effect as envy, that is to say jealousy, "before which who can stand?" as the Book of Proverbs testifies, and the "Song of Songs" in the words "jealousy is cruel as the grave the coals thereof are coals of fire (which hath) a vehement flame."

[The above are extracts from "Amulets and Superstitions," by Sir E. A. Wallis Budge, published by the Oxford University Press.]

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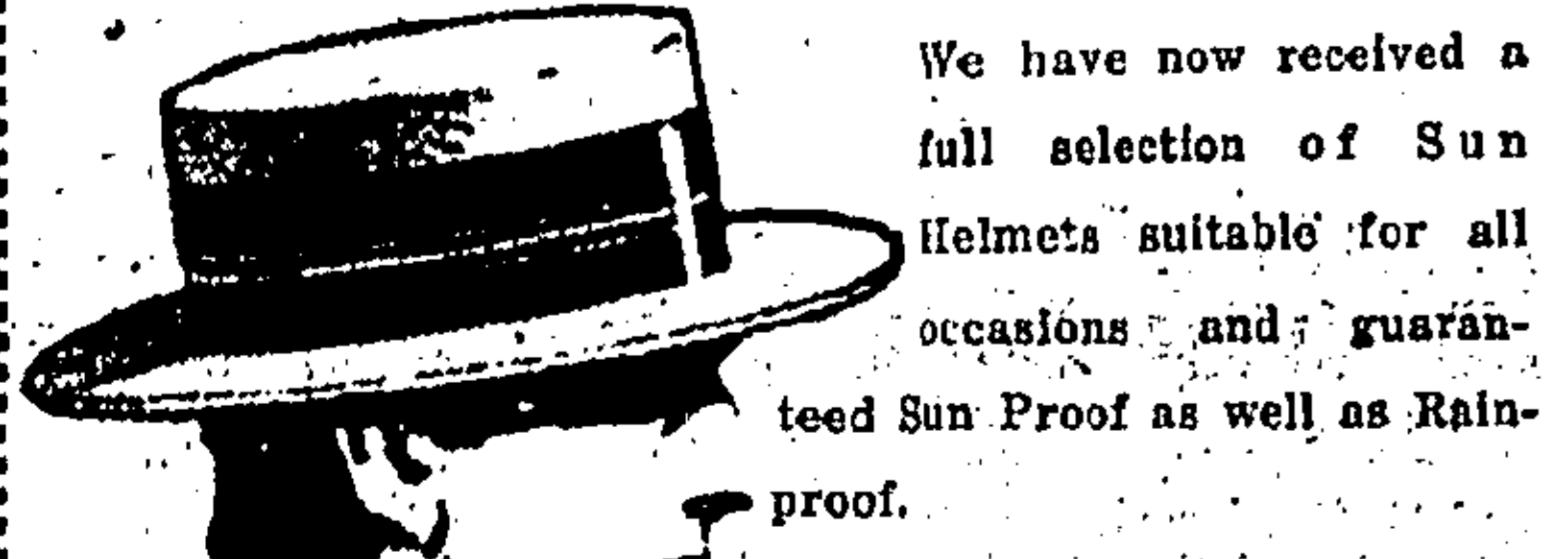
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SUN FO'S MISSION.
GOING TO CANTON WITH
PEACEFUL PROPOSALS?
NANKING APPROVES?

Shanghai, Saturday.
It is disclosed that Sun Fo is carrying to Canton definite proposals for a peaceful settlement of the political situation, and a feeling of optimism prevails here regarding the outcome of his mission.

Before departing from Shanghai Sun Fo had a conference with several of the "elder statesmen," at which it was suggested that a good deal of friction was avoidable by putting Party and Government affairs under entirely separate administrations — a suggestion which Nanking is reported to approve.—Reuter.

Old-Timers to Talk,

Nanking, Saturday.
An important peace move was made last night by the famous statesman Wu Tze-hui, who, following a lengthy conference with Chiang Kai-shek at Tangshan, telephoned to Ku Ying-fen stating that Chang Chi, the Vice-President of the Judicial Yuan, was proceeding to Canton immediately to "talk over matters" with Wu Tze-hui who has considerable influence in political circles and is an ardent advocate of peace.

It is announced that the Nanking-Berlin air mail service is being formally inaugurated on May 29.—Reuter.

PARLIAMENT.

QUESTION OF SUEZ CANAL CHARGES.

GOVERNMENT'S POWERS.

Rugby, Saturday.
The House of Commons adjourned to-day for the Whitsun-tide recess. The session will be resumed on June 2. Questions raised on a motion for adjournment included that of the Suez Canal dues.

Replying to the suggestion that the Government should, through the British Directors, press for a revision of the high transit charges against which the Foreign Secretary had received protests from six maritime Powers of Europe, Mr. W. R. Smith stated that Government had no direct voice in the Company's administration and had no authority to demand what might be desirable in the interests of shipowners and commerce generally. Within the limits of their powers and opportunities the Government had done everything possible to help in the direction suggested.—British Wireless Service.

TO QUIT CHINA.

WORK OF ARCHAEOLOGIST STOPPED.

EXPEDITION ABANDONED.

Peking, Saturday.
In response to repeated petitions from the Society for the Preservation of Ancient Relics, which has been agitating since last year for the expulsion of Sir Aurel Stein, the Governor of Sinkiang province has ordered the noted Archaeologist to leave the province. It is learned that Sir Aurel Stein accordingly started for Home from Sinkiang on May 18, abandoning his scientific expedition whose work has been hampered lately by the Sinkiang authorities.—Reuter.

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HAPPINESS AT LAST!

MANCHESTER CONFERENCE AGREEMENT.

QUANDARIES SOLVED.

Rugby, Saturday.

An agreement was reached at a meeting in Manchester yesterday of the Chemical Trade Joint Industrial Council as to wage reduction. The agreement which affects more than 80,000 workers, provided that the standard rate in federated works for day labourers should be reduced to 1/- per hour, and that of shift men to 1/1d. per hour.

Men receiving rates more than the respective minimum will suffer equal reductions, and piece workers will be asked to accept a reduction of five per cent.

The employers' representative, in announcing the agreement, said that both sides to the negotiations had evinced the keenest desire to make the best of an admittedly difficult position.—British Wireless Service.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

FENCING — To-day — Hong Kong Fencing Club at 5.15 p.m.

RACING — To-day — Sixth Extra Race Meeting (Continued).

Wednesday — H.K. Jockey Club Half Yearly Meeting of Voting Members at 5.15 p.m.

Saturday — H.K. Jockey Club Closing of list of Subscribers of Subscription Griffins and Australians, at noon.

WATER POLO — To-day — Entries close for League, 6 p.m.

GOLF — Sunday — Kowloon Golf Club v. Machine Gun Co., H.K.V.D.C.

LAWN BOWLS — Saturday — Division I — Kowloon Docks v. Taikoo, C.C.C. v. C.S.C.C., R.B.G.C. v. Police, K.C.C. v. Revere; Division II — Revere v. H.K. Electric, Taikoo v. K.C.C., C.S.C.C. v. K.B.G.C., Yacht Club v. C.C.C. May 30 — Entries close for C.S.C.C. Competitions.

HOME.

CRICKET — To-day and Tomorrow.

Glamorgan v. New Zealand. Middlesex v. Sussex.

Essex v. Worcester. Lancashire v. Yorkshire.

Somerset v. Kent. Northants v. Leicester.

Notts v. Surrey. Warwick v. Derby.

Gloucester v. Hampshire. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Oxford v. New Zealanders. Middlesex v. Essex. Lancashire v. Kent.

Gloucester v. Somerset. Glamorgan v. Hampshire.

Northants v. Sussex. Cambridge v. Notts.

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Worcester v. Derby. Saturday, Monday & Tuesday.

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Worcester v. Gloucester.

MOTORING — To-day — B.A.R.C. Open Meeting at Brooklands.

YACHTING — To-day — Royal Harwich Regatta.

EXHIBITION — Thursday, Friday and Saturday — Royal Tournament at Olympia.

RACING — Friday — Manchester Cup.

Revenue derived from the Port of Calgary customs branch during 1930 amounted to \$8,256,057 — the third highest total since 1921. In 1921 the total was \$2,111,383 and in 1926 it was \$3,094,300. The two years exceeding the 1930 total were 1922 and 1929, when the figures were \$4,640,650 and \$5,286,321 respectively.

The value of building permits in the City of Winnipeg for the month of March was more than double that for the same month last year, bringing the total for the year up to \$1,004,400. There is marked activity in home construction this year.

Spring seeding operations in Southern Alberta are general, under favourable soil conditions, according to the latest reports. The first recorded sowing of wheat this year was from the farm of A. P. Hughes of Barons, where 160 acres were seeded in February.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS

HOW NOT TO GET ALONG.

TROUBLES OF TARIFFS.

New York, Saturday.
A survey undertaken by the Tariff Commission at the request of the State Department indicates nearly seven hundred million dollars of imports into the United States.

Many were affected by the exclusion of products of forced or indentured labour under the provision of the Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act effective on January 1.

According to the New York Herald Tribune, the Commission has studied labour conditions all over the world and an effort has been made to list every possible commodity includable in a sweeping ban.

Rubber imports from Malaya which totalled 138 million dollars in 1928, may be excluded in accordance with the Treasury Department's interpretation of the law, because Malaya is reported to employ and contract labour with penal sanction.

Similar imports from Java and other of the East Indies islands are also listed as possibly affected.

Tariff Commission further announces an experiment with this system doubtless to involve serious administrative difficulties, and international complications.—Reuter's American Service.

BRITAIN AND INDIA.

STILL SEEKING A SOLUTION.

WORK TO BE RESUMED.

Rugby, Saturday.
The date and other arrangements in connection with the resumption of the work of the Federal Structure Committee of the Indian Round Table Conference is still the subject of consideration between the Secretary for India, Mr. Wedgwood Benn, and the Viceroy of India, Lord Willingdon.

Every effort is being made to meet the convenience of the delegates from India, with whom the Viceroy is in correspondence. The results of his enquiries will be communicated to London as soon as they are complete.—British Wireless Service.

Gandhi's Next Move.

Nainital, Saturday.
It is now practically certain that Gandhi will not attend that important section of the Round Table Conference, known as the Federal Structure Committee, in London on June 29, though it is still possible that he will go to London for the more formal proceedings of the full conference in September.

Famous Indian Dead.

Lucknow, Saturday.
The death has occurred of Sir Mohammad Ali Mohamed Khan President of the All-India Muslim League.—Reuter.

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